

Grads poll to get out of the union

by Mitu Sengupta

McGill graduate students may vote to put their long and conflicted membership in Students' Society up to Senate in a mail-ballot referendum starting February 21.

"If graduate students vote yes on the question, it will present a strong, unequivocal message to Senate that we want them to take us out of the McGill Students' Society once and for all," said Post Graduate Students' Society President Lee Iverson.

The referendum asks, "should McGill University terminate membership of graduate students in the SSMU, and no longer collect SSMU fees from graduate students?"

The referendum, proposed by the PGSS Council, stems from a bitter feud between Students' Society, an umbrella organization for McGill's many faculty associations, and the Graduate Students' Society, which says graduate students don't get a fair share of the SSMU pie.

Graduates appealed to Senate for the same reason last Spring, but were turned down.

"Senate wasn't sure whether it should change the Students' Society constitution, given that the SSMU Council didn't want it changed," said PGSS councillor James Owen.

Owen said the Senate Steering Committee confirmed Senate's ability to pull graduates out of SSMU, but recommended Senate not get involved.

"The motion wasn't considered," said Owen.

"If we get enough people to vote yes on the referendum question, they [Senate] may reconsider their decision," he said.

SSMU President Nancy Coté disagreed. "I think the Senate has already stated its position that student disputes should be solved by students," she said.

"I don't believe we've exhausted all means to solve it by ourselves."

PGSS conducted a survey last fall showing that graduates pay \$120,000 in fees, but only about \$40,000 of the SSMU budget caters to graduate students' interests.

Iverson said, "Undergraduates do not know what it is like to be a graduate student, our interests are different from their's." He said fees paid by graduates to Students' Society "further compound the problem."

Coté said graduates pay only an eighth of total student levies. "An SSMU service research survey, with which PGSS representatives to Council agreed, showed that graduates are getting what they're paying for," she said.

Currently, graduate students pay 72 percent of the Society fees undergrads pay. If graduate students leave the Society, undergraduates will pay about \$10 more each.

"The SSMU Council will only

consider graduate students' autonomy if they don't lose control over the fees we are now paying," he said.

Continued disagreements over membership fees are interfering with Graduates' attempts to break away, said Iverson. PGSS now wants to go directly to Senate, with a clear proposal endorsed by a large number of graduates.

Grads won't get bogus fee

by Stephanie Lachowicz

McGill graduate students can rest easy about a new policy to implement a course-credit system in the Masters' Degree Program.

Graduate students were initially concerned that they would be forced to pay course-materials charges for independent work under the new credit system. All Québec universities charge a fee of \$3.33 per credit to pay for materials received by students that are related to course work.

"We receive no course materials, no photocopies, we're not given any thing correlated in these thesis preparatory courses," said Guy Dunkerly, VP External of the Post-Graduate Students' Society (PGSS).

However, it now appears these fears are unfounded. McGill administration announced yesterday course materials charges will not be applied to thesis preparatory work.

The Graduate Faculty Executive formally recommended that course materials charges not be applied to thesis preparatory work at its January 31 meeting. PGSS passed a similar resolution at its January 11 meeting.

McGill expects to implement the new course-credit system by September 1989. Under this system independent research courses, such as thesis preparation and comprehensive exam programs, will be assigned credits much the same as courses that meet as regular classes. Master's students will be expected to complete 45 credits to earn their degrees.

"At the moment in Master's Thesis programs we just talk about terms of residence. Under (the new) system we'll instead talk about credits," said Sheina Bigman, Manager of the Graduate Admissions and Records Office.

Lee Iverson, President of the Post-Graduate Students' Society (PGSS) said, aside from worried over course-materials charges, graduate students are "for the most part" supportive of the course-credit system.

"The problem is that graduate students take an inordinately long time to get their degrees. Under the course-credit system we'll see grad students get through quicker," Iverson said.

Dangerous Precedent

Coté said if Senate allowed graduate students to leave SSMU, it could set a dangerous precedent for other faculty associations to do the same.

Says VP Planning Paul Davenport, "In the past Senate has favoured a united student group." According to Davenport, if the new

referendum showed graduates needed Senate help to end their membership in Students' Society, "Senate would consider the number of students who had voted, and base their decision on this new evidence."

Iverson said the referendum tells the Society, "if you're not willing to make these concessions then let us out."

Coté and SSMU VP University

Affairs Maria Battaglia propose amending the SSMU constitution to convince Graduates' to stay

"The amendments are consistent with both packages of constitutional changes proposed last fall and spring, they also litigate concerns expressed by undergraduates over the last year," she said.

"They haven't talked to the PGSS Council about it," said Iverson.

He added the course-credit system will also enable graduate students to compare programs and work loads in different faculties.

The course-credit system has been kicking around McGill for

several years. In 1980, Senate passed a resolution to implement it in order to comply with provincial regulations requiring a unified system of graduate course evaluation.

"The provincial government

wanted a systematic way to account for all full-time students," Iverson said.

For various reasons, the system was never implemented although all other Québec universities complied with the regulations several years ago.

The issue was taken up again in 1987. A report released by the Ad-Hoc Committee on Time Taken to Complete Graduate degrees recommended McGill switch to the course credit system. On Sept. 30, 1987, Senate passed a resolution "reaffirming" the decision taken in 1980 to implement the course-credit system.

At present, the Graduate Faculty is waiting for departmental reports assigning credits to independent research courses.

"Each department has to determine how, according to guidelines given by the Graduate Faculty, to assign the number of credits to courses," Bigman said.



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Strikers fined \$5 000

by Mark Quinn

A Montréal students association has been found guilty of contempt of court.

Striking members of l'Université du Québec à Montréal (UQAM) were fined \$5000 yesterday for ignoring a court injunction which forbade them from picketing within 300 feet of any UQAM facility or property. In addition, each member of UQAM's Arts, Literature, and Social Science students society (AGEUQAM) executive was fined \$100.

The fines were incurred during a strike last November to protest the Québec government's loan and bursary granting policies. AGEUQAM argues present policies damage the quality and accessibility of education.

"We decided to break the injunction on the grounds that abiding by it would make our strike ineffectual," said Jeff Begley, an AGEUQAM representative.

AGEUQAM first appeared in court November 22, and underwent a series of hearings throughout the

months of December and January.

AGEUQAM was surprised by the fines levied on executive members. "We expected to be fined \$7000 and were only fined \$5000 but we didn't expect that each of the members of the executive would be fined \$100," said Begley.

"This will not threaten the existence of AGEUQAM," he added. "We will have no problem paying the fine because student fees are coming in soon. Students knew when they decided to support the strike that it would be expensive. We haven't received our lawyer's fees yet but before the fines the

strike was already costing students \$40 000."

Last semester McGill's students' society (SSMU) gave AGEUQAM \$800. "We gave AGEUQAM money as a gesture of good will. We decided to support a fellow student society which was having financial difficulty," said SSMU President Nancy Coté.

Begley said, "SSMU gave us money to show support for our strike."

The McGill Arts and Science Undergraduate Society (ASUS) also contributed \$200.

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EUS to hold referendum

Plumber's Pot may go underground

by Zeb Brown

Engineers are holding a referendum next month to reform their constitution, and to decide the fate of the banned *The Plumbers' Pot*.

New organization will have weighted voting

Large schools will dominate FEEQ

by Susana Bejar

La Fédération des étudiantes et étudiants du Québec, a new organization of Québec university student associations, has drafted its constitution, which gives more power to bigger schools.

Representatives from Laval, l'Université de Montréal, l'Université de Sherbrooke and McGill met to draw up FEEQ's initial constitution the weekend of January 28. Also to be known as the Québec Federation of Students, only universities are allowed membership in FEEQ. And the big universities will have more say than the smaller ones.

ANEEQ, Québec's only federation of colleges and universities, runs on a one vote per school system, as does the Canadian Federation of Students (CFS), Canada's national student lobby group.

FEEQ's decision making body will be a Conseil Générale composed of two delegates from each member association.

"Representatives to the Conseil Générale don't necessarily have to be elected by the students," said John Fox, McGill Students' Society External Affairs Coordinator.

Also to sit on the Conseil Général are the president, elected from members of the Conseil, who will serve as spokesperson, and the Director General of FEEQ. The Director will manage staff hired by the general council, and sit on the council as secretary, without a vote.

A general assembly will be held every year for all students represented by FEEQ. No decisions made at the assembly transfer into policy, but are merely recommendations to be considered by the general council.

"I see accessibility to and accountability of FEEQ to the students as being through the VP External for McGill students," said Fox.

According to Fox, students will be asked to ratify McGill's membership in FEEQ and the financing of the organization in a referendum next November.

"The outcome of the referendum will probably be retroactive," said Fox.

It is still undecided how much McGill students will be asked to pay per semester, but SSMU has already given FEEQ \$1 000 to cover general expenses.

"McGill will be financially responsible for a percentage of FEEQ's operating costs based on

The referendum ballot will give engineers a choice between restarting the *Pot* as an underground publication, creating a new, less offensive paper, or getting out of the publishing business altogether.

According to EUS VP External

the number of students represented by SSMU in proportion to the number of students represented by FEEQ," said Fox.

According to SSMU President Nancy Coté, ratification of membership in FEEQ and approval of yearly fees will be put to students as a single question on the referendum ballot. Rejecting the yearly fee will mean rejecting membership in FEEQ.

Voting Structure

The number of votes per university will be distributed according to size. The smallest university gets one vote, and all bigger members receive extra votes in increments of this base number, to a maximum of eight votes.

According to Coté, "The weighted voting structure is good as long as the big schools don't step on the toes of the little schools."

Says ANEEQ executive Stephane Lesalle, "We do not think it is the most democratic or egalitarian voting system. In ANEEQ each association is a full member of ANEEQ, whether it contain 1 000 or 10 000 students. Each association has the same mandate and the same duty."

All members of ANEEQ receive one vote, regardless of size.

"I have problems with the proportional voting system," Lesalle said. "One of the disadvantages of it is that it creates tensions within an organisation, between the big schools and the little schools, and this creates the problem of the force one member has over another"

According to Fox, "McGill does have a larger student population and should have a greater weight." McGill, l'Université de Montréal and Laval have roughly 30 000 full and part-time students, and Sherbrooke has 4000.

"The current formula is designed to work for schools with a minimum population of 3000, but there's no provision should a member enter with only 1000 students," said Fox.

Bishop's, also thinking of joining, has just 1500 students.

Lasalle said, "It's like saying McGill is more important, more representative and should have more power because of this. Every association should be able to represent its students in an equal fashion."

Provisional membership to FEEQ will be established at its founding congress this weekend. Letters of invitation have been sent to universities across the province.

Erick Lachambre, "we want people to look at the *Pot* calmly," Lachambre said. "I don't see why people get offended by it. Yes, it has sexist jokes, but why they take it personally, I don't know."

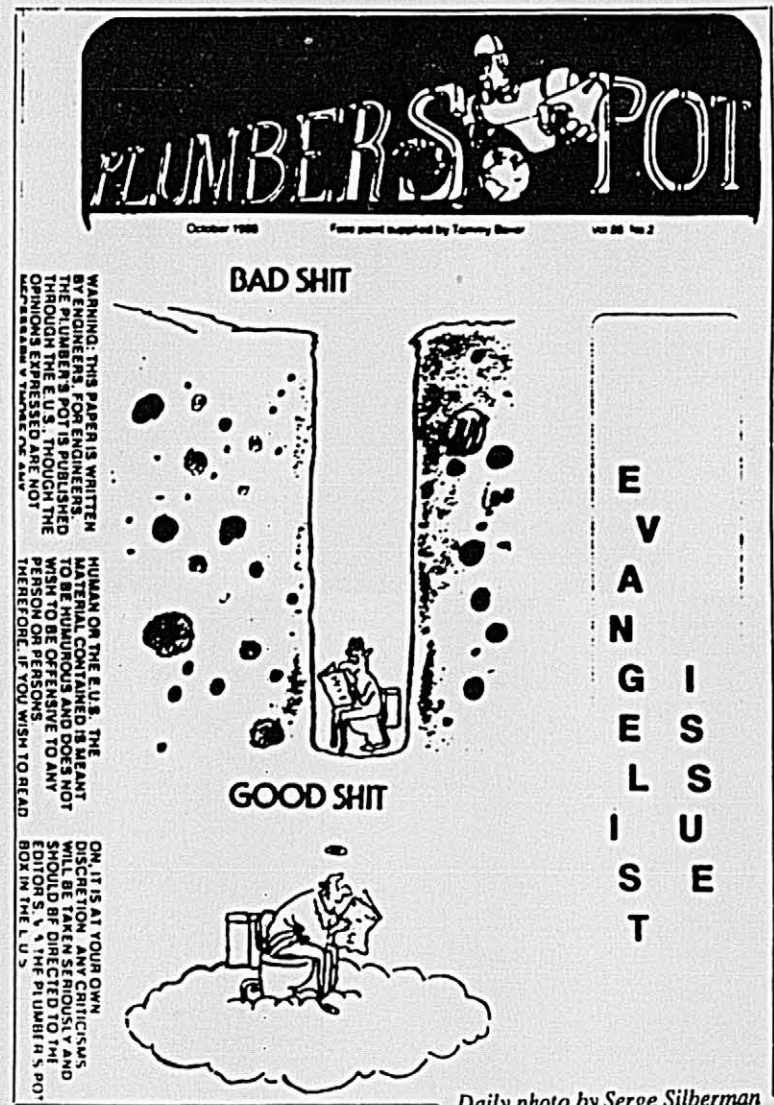
The *Plumber's Pot* was banned from Engineering buildings last semester by Dean of Engineering Pierre Bélanger, after years of complaints about its sexist, racist and homophobic content.

"I certainly would not be pleased to see it return in its old form," Bélanger said. "I'll instruct the porters to toss it out if it's being distributed in the buildings, but I'm not going to hire a whole bunch of police [officers] to ensure that it's not distributed."

Bélanger said the issue is beyond his jurisdiction and should be dealt with by university officials. He pointed out McGill's student code of conduct does not prohibit disseminating sexist or other offensive material on campus.

Lachambre said the EUS has not yet looked into finding equipment or financing for an underground *Pot*. They do not know where it would be typeset, either. The executive has been more concerned with its constitutional reforms than the *Pot*, he said.

A student petition to bring back the *Pot* last semester collected 800 signatures, but included students from other faculties. There are 1600



students in engineering at McGill, 16 per cent of whom are women.

The constitutional amendments which will accompany the *Pot* question on the referendum are chiefly procedural, but include

eliminating sexist language from the EUS constitution. Lachambre said a clause would be inserted in the constitution explaining masculine language was used originally "for simplicity".

Montréal Women's Centre celebrates sixteenth anniversary

by Joyce Lombardi

Pink cakes, sandwich wedges, and a handful of guest speakers festooned the Montréal Women's Centre's 16th anniversary last Friday.

The commemorative tea party also functioned as a membership drive to increase community and economic support of the Plateau-based Centre.

"We have a membership base of about hundred now. We'd like to expand to 200, then we could turn voting privilege into a source of income," said centre director Mona

Forrest. "Furthermore, we could get more information out to our members. The commercial press misses a lot of what happens with women."

"Not everyone out there is a dyed-in-the-wool feminist, so it's nice to come here and pump each other up," said Margaret Gillett, McGill Education professor.

"This place was pretty scruffy when it first opened, but now it's shaping up, and I hope it continues to do so," she added.

Founded in 1972 as an information and referral service, the Centre has expanded into the largest

community service agency in Montréal.

Direct services available in their newly renovated building include crisis intervention, counselling, legal advice, free clothing to women and children, and assistance to immigrant women.

The Centre provides almost limitless referrals to other organisations such as health and day care centres, feminist groups, women's shelters, vocational and language schools, and food co-ops.

The centre also provides training for about 20 to 30 social work students per year.

Although the group is "not political", according to press agent Peggy Niloff, they help in community actions and petitioning for women's issues.

Grants and private donations provide most of the Centre's funding, but the directors would prefer more stable income.

"Our funding is always threatened. We would like to be self-sufficient, so we need a larger community base," said Niloff.

"We would also like to pay our professional staffers more competitive wages to curb the turnover rate," she added.

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New group fights racism

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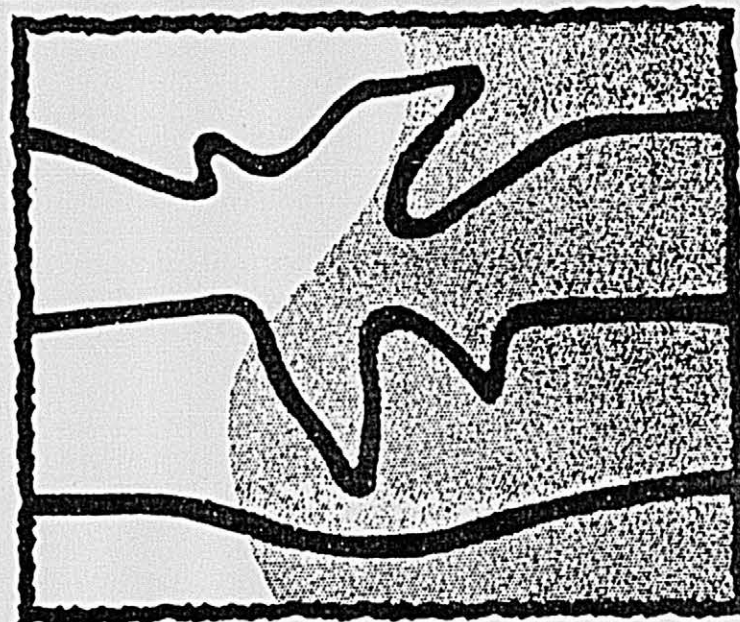
The Network Against Racism and Bigotry hopes to

able an avenue for unified action on issues of discrimination as well as providing a forum for the education and understanding of this problem. We welcome all students who agree that the time has come to combat this disease of hatred.

Our first action will be to conduct a series of "Dorm Raps" in which N.A.R.B. members will visit student residences to discuss with their fellow students specific issues and forms of discrimination.

We hereby invite other interested groups and individuals to come to our next meeting—For more information call Howard at 845-9171.

Network Against Racism and Bigotry



Letters

A Bilingual Québec

To the Daily:

As a concerned English speaking student, I would like to voice my insecurities about how the new language laws will affect me, as well as all English speaking students, in the near future.

The proposed new laws will make it hard for English students to begin and continue their studies in the English language. Most major businesses are conducted in the English language in Québec as well as a major part of Canada and North America. In no way can it be beneficial for students to do their studies in a language which differs from the one the rest of society functions in.

I am sympathetic toward the French speaking population that feels threatened by the English language and its widespread use. I do, however, feel that forcing the province into an all French environment is doing more harm than good. Violence has erupted in the form of the burning down of Alliance Québec and it has made tensions between the two sides even worse. The English now feel threatened about their language just as the French did. I speak and enjoy the French language, but as an anglophone living in Québec, I know how difficult it is to function in a society eighty five percent francophone. The situation was made worse when English was abolished from signs with the introduction of Bill 101, a few years back. It is now very difficult for more than just a few anglophones in our province.

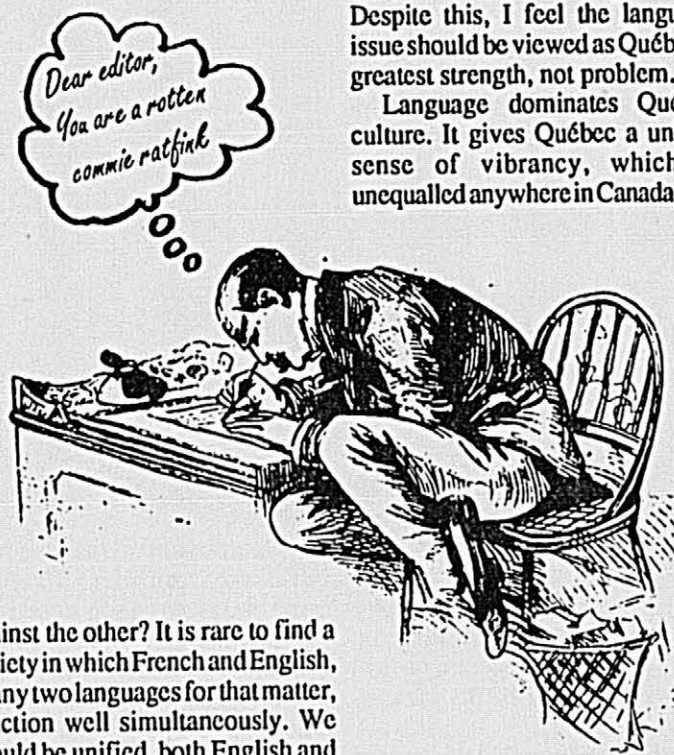
Our American neighbours as well as most who visit our province are unable to function in the French

language. Were the province a bilingual one, tourists would have more ease and would probably frequent the province more.

Shouldn't those of us who care for and want to speak both languages focus our main concerns on preserving and practicing both languages instead of pitting one

English speaking Québec residents who agree with her point of view. (i.e. Bill 101 is dangerous to anglophones, tourism will be negatively affected, English people should simply leave Québec). I have been a resident of Québec for only six weeks, I speak very little French, and thus, admittedly, have a very limited understanding of French Canadian issues and problems. Despite this, I feel the language issue should be viewed as Québec's greatest strength, not problem.

Language dominates Québec culture. It gives Québec a unique sense of vibrancy, which is unequalled anywhere in Canada, and



against the other? It is rare to find a society in which French and English, or any two languages for that matter, function well simultaneously. We should be unified, both English and French together, to preserve and further both languages, so that neither

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B. Ed. U1

Vive le Québec Français

To the Daily,

I am writing in response to Hilary Abbey's letter (Feb. 5) and to other

arguably, North America. It gives Québec born residents a "fighting spirit" which is undeniably refreshing and exhilarating to all who live in and/or visit this province. From my brief experience here, I have found the bilingual nature of Québec increases peoples' general tolerance levels and attentiveness; besides, it adds an exciting sense of mystique to an already dynamic province. Language, to be sure, is the essence of Québec.

Even with all its faults, Bill 101 does more good than harm. This is French Canada, and the majority should rule. There is a lot of truth in the statement "give an inch, take a mile" which, translated to Québec, means essentially, give the English what they want, and French Canada will forever be gone.

As for Abbey's contention that tourism will be negatively affected, she fails to realize most tourists come to Québec because of the language differences. Language distinguishes Québec in such a profound way as to give it a distinct comparative advantage with regards to attracting people from all over the globe. Finally, Abbey's remark that English people should simply leave is simple minded, foolish, and accomplishes nothing. Running away only results in regret and remorse and illustrates a total lack of respect and perseverance.

Language is a complex issue; I am not naive enough to believe I will ever fully appreciate its scope, and more importantly, its solution. I would suggest, however, that disgruntled English Canadians who make their home in Québec, be it temporary or preferably permanent, get off their fat fannies and make an honest effort to garner a working knowledge of French. (Besides, it's really a lot of fun!)

Bruce Orok
Economics U2

Non Smokers Worried

To the Daily,

Re: "Smokers get break at McGill." Yes smokers, take heart. The administration is waiting for the results of a new study—presumably a definitive report on tobacco smoke. It may very well

conclude "the danger of smoke pollutants is so minimal it's not worth banning."

This would be reassuring news for everybody. And who are the authors of this study? The Canadian Medical Association? The Canadian Cancer Society? Or the Surgeon General, perhaps? No, it's the American Society of Heating and Air Conditioning Engineers.

How can we be expected to trust the results this organisation will provide? This is a group with no interest in public health, whose livelihood depends on the continued use of their products to remove (or, more accurately, to disperse) tobacco smoke. If smoking is banned, then who will need to buy their specially designed filter systems? Shall we be surprised if they conclude that their expensive, high tech systems can eliminate, or reduce to a "safe" level, the effects of second hand smoke? Seriously?

It is bewildering that the administration would even consider acting against the recommendations of established medical and health groups to accommodate this single report. Surely the same dangers that led Kingdon and his colleagues to ban smoking in all common areas exist in private offices also. Let us not forget that many non smokers use these spaces, and that these spaces are connected to other areas via the air ventilation system.

Hopefully, the administration will not let themselves be limited by this potentially biased and in all likelihood unbelievable report.

Gary Evans
McGill Staff

Ed-note: Don "McGowan and Sirano Dhe-Paganon, your letters are too long. Come down to the Daily and shorten them.

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La lune de miel entre l'Université McGill et son Principal David L. Johnston s'éternise depuis 1979. Au plus grand bonheur des témoins, puisqu'il vient d'accepter un nouveau mandat. Dans une entrevue avec *The Daily* notre principal expose la situation présente et future de McGill.

The Daily: Pour quelles raisons avez-vous brigué un second mandat?

David Johnston: Premièrement j'ai une affaire de cœur avec McGill, de plus il y a certaines choses que je veux encore faire ici, et enfin, je pense que nous avons eu un certain succès avec le gouvernement concernant la formule de financement des universités. Cela a été un sujet très difficile durant les quatre dernières années et cette formule est un pas dans la bonne direction.

C'est une formule équitable qui donne une pondération des vrais coûts par discipline et aussi une pondération pour les étudiants du deuxième et troisième cycle. Cette formule de financement reconnaît aussi les coûts indirects des recherches et reconnaît que les petites universités ont des coûts spécifiques.

D. Pourquoi cette formule n'est-elle pas dévoilée?

D.J. Le ministre Ryan a préparé le projet et en a donné copie aux recteurs il y a presque deux mois. Il a donné cette formule dans une situation confidentielle puisque celle-ci doit être présentée devant le Conseil du trésor et discutée avec le Premier ministre. Pour le financement c'est le but des négociations entre M. Ryan et le Conseil du trésor.

D. Seulement McGill et Concordia endossent cette formule; entre le consensus de toutes les universités du Québec et les intérêts financiers de McGill, que choisirez-vous?

D.J. Ce n'est pas le cas. La plupart des universités sont en accord, la seule question est la suffisance de l'argent pour implanter la nouvelle formule.

D. Plutôt que de signer la nouvelle formule proposée, des pressions plus fortes auprès du gouvernement afin de montrer que l'éducation n'est pas seulement un investissement mais aussi un service à la société, ne seraient-elles pas plus efficaces?

D.J. Je pense les deux. Nous devons donner le même message constamment, l'investissement dans l'éducation est le plus important pour notre société. Nous avons beaucoup à faire ici au Québec. Le premier pas à prendre est dans les universités, particulièrement si l'on regarde l'écart du financement des universités du Québec et de l'Ontario.

Quand on compare avec les universités américaines, surtout depuis l'accord du libre-échange, nous sommes dans une concurrence très forte avec Princeton, Harvard, Stanford pour les professeurs et les étudiants. Pourtant, des études montrent que nous sommes au même

niveau que ces universités malgré le fait que nos étudiants ici reçoivent seulement un sixième des revenus de leurs étudiants; avec 5000\$ par étudiant nous faisons la même chose que Harvard avec 50000\$.

D. Comment pensez-vous réduire le déficit de 39.15 millions?

D.J. Nous devons avoir l'aide du gouvernement, particulièrement si l'on considère que McGill est sous-financée.

D. Êtes-vous partisan d'une hausse des frais de scolarité?

D.J. Personnellement, oui. Si on a une augmentation des prêts et bourses et si on assure qu'il n'y a pas une barrière pour les étudiants qui n'ont pas assez d'argent pour payer cette hausse.

pour vous le rôle que doivent avoir les humanités?

D.J. Je n'ai pas la même philosophie que vous. Lors de la dernière campagne de souscription le plus grand cadeau était de 5\$ millions et nous avons donné la plupart de ce montant à nos bibliothèques. McGill est une université dont le cœur est la faculté de lettres, et bien que nous soyons une université de moyenne taille sur la scène canadienne et nord-américaine, nous enseignons ici 35 langues, ça c'est un record formidable, et ça touche les humanités.

Dans la répartition des fonds privés la bibliothèque et la faculté de lettres ont reçues le plus grand pourcentage. Pour nous c'est une

•Les Francophones et McGill

D. De 6% de francophones en 1964, l'Université McGill en accueille aujourd'hui 28%. Vous vous étiez prononcé pour le non au référendum et contre la loi 101. Devant cette évolution du fait français à McGill quelle est votre position dans le débat linguistique actuel?

D.J. Personnellement, je suis avocat et je pense que les libertés individuelles sont très importantes dans notre société.

D. Pensez-vous que la loi 178 brime ces libertés?

D.J. Oui.

D. Pierre Anctil, directeur du programme d'études canadiennes-

vail à faire pour améliorer leur français, comme moi ou comme les étudiants qui viennent de l'extérieur du Québec.

•Syndicats

D. La création d'un syndicat de professeurs permettrait-elle d'améliorer les conditions d'enseignements à McGill?

D.J. Au contraire, c'est mon point de vue. Mais nous devons travailler constamment pour assurer les meilleures conditions et relations possibles entre les professeurs et l'administration. L'effort pour maintenir un bon système doit être constant. Nous développons des règles dans un système collégial, nous avons un sénat, un conseil de gouverneurs comprenant des professeurs, des étudiants, et quand nous changeons les règles, nous avons un comité de pairs pour s'occuper de ça. Je pense qu'avec la plupart de nos professeurs, il n'y a pas de plaintes contre la méthode et si il y en a nous avons le système. Il n'y a pas vraiment de pressions contre l'administration, la grande question pour nous est la pression sur le gouvernement. Et premièrement les finances.

•Fraternités

D. Comment voyez-vous le rôle des fraternités à McGill?

D.J. En général les fraternités et les sororités ont un rôle important parce que nous avons un manque de résidences et que la plupart de nos étudiants viennent de l'extérieur, donc nous avons besoin de toutes les sociétés qui donnent l'opportunité à l'extérieur des classes pour l'amitié, la camaraderie, la socialisation. Mais les fraternités doivent suivre les règles de tous les autres citoyens.

D. Ne pensez-vous pas que l'université doit imposer des règles pour assurer la sécurité des personnes qui se rendent à leurs soirées?

D.J. C'est une question difficile. Parce que les fraternités sont dans une situation d'indépendance avec leurs propres règles et c'est difficile pour l'Université de passer des règles qui touchent directement une maison avec des membres de la fraternité, particulièrement si ils ont plus de dix-huit ans. Ils sont citoyens comme les autres. Mais nous sommes concernés si des étudiants de McGill sont impliqués dans une mauvaise situation, cela me concerne beaucoup.

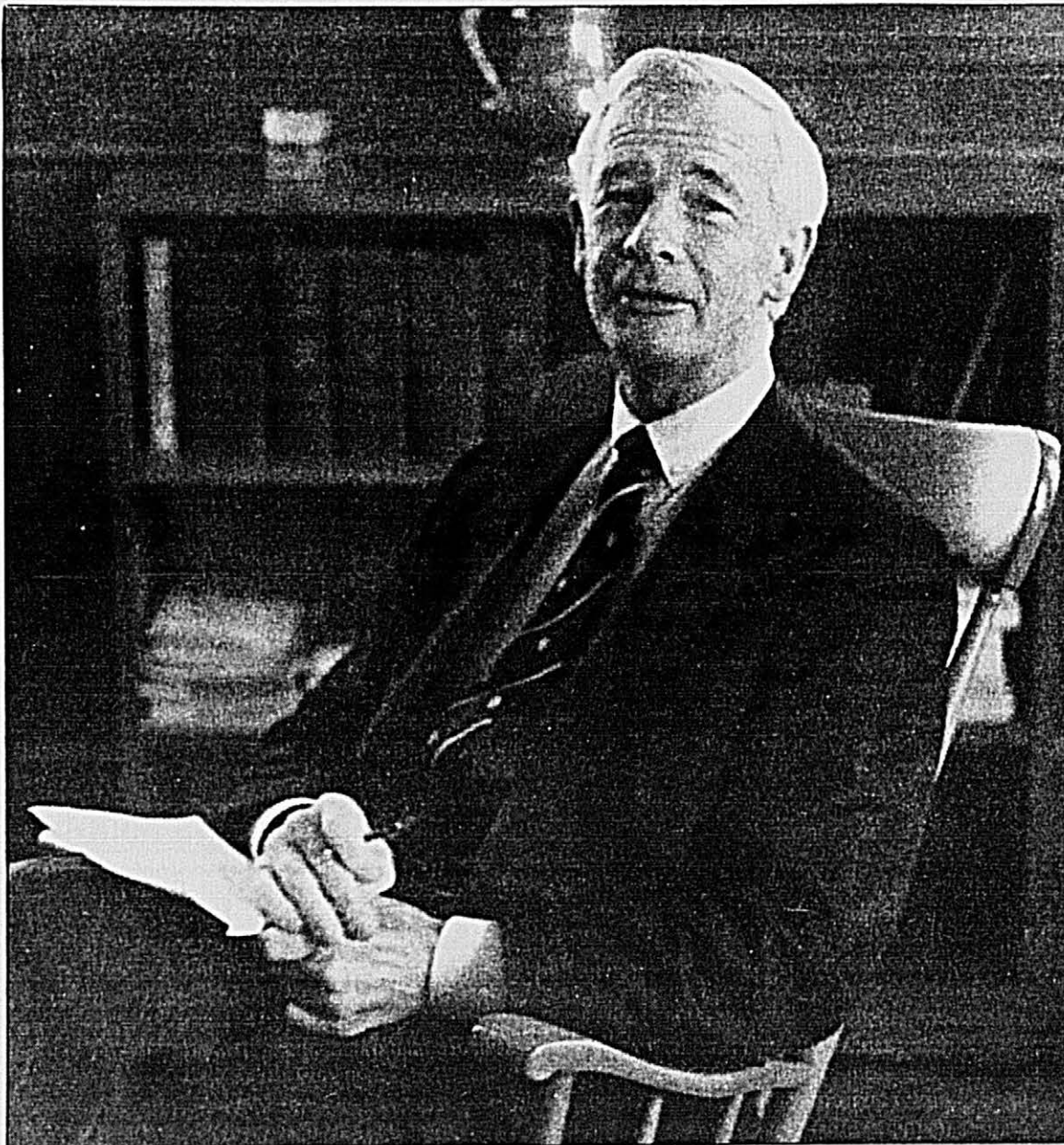
•Rôle social de McGill

D. James McGill soulignait le rôle social que l'université doit avoir, partagez-vous cette vision ou voyez-vous McGill comme une entreprise qui vend du savoir?

D.J. Les deux dans un sens. Nous avons une mission sociale très importante, le rêve de James McGill particulièrement ici au Québec... comme une entreprise comment?

D. Qui vend du savoir...

D.J. Non, en général nous avons le but de disséminer les connaissances sans charge. Nos recherches sont publiées dans les journaux scolaires, tout le monde a la possibilité de voir ça.



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D. Pensez-vous qu'en amenant les frais de scolarité au même niveau qu'au États-Unis ou qu'en Ontario cela aidera les universités?

D.J. Pour moi la moyenne du Canada serait un but acceptable si on utilise une assistance adéquate pour aider les étudiants qui n'ont pas les moyens de payer l'augmentation. Je préférerais même que l'université puisse fournir cette assistance afin de répondre plus individuellement aux besoins des étudiants.

D. Durant votre dernier mandat vous avez réussi à rapporter 77\$ millions en fond privés...

D.J. Ce n'est pas moi. (sourire)

D. ...hors, dans votre recherche de l'excellence, la répartition de ces fonds est surtout axée dans les domaines scientifiques. Quel est

priorité, alors j'évite la conclusion de dire que nous favorisons les facultés de génie ou de médecine au détriment de la faculté de lettres.

D. L'université applique-t-elle une politique qui privilégie les études du second et troisième cycle?

D.J. Je pense que non. Maintenant nous n'avons pas dans notre formule de financement de pondération pour les étudiants de deuxième et troisième cycle, bien que nous ayons une grande proportion de ces étudiants, mais pour moi c'est très important d'avoir une sensibilisation pour les étudiants du premier cycle. Nous avons une vocation comme Université de recherche, mais je le dis constamment, la recherche et l'enseignement doivent aller la main dans la main.

françaises, représente McGill comme une fenêtre ouverte sur le Québec. Partagez-vous la même vision et pensez-vous augmenter le nombre de cours offerts aux étudiants?

D.J. Oui, nous avons beaucoup de cours qui touchent le Québec, par exemple la faculté de droit a fait beaucoup pour le code civil. Et cela serait utile d'avoir plus de cours qui touchent la réalité d'ici. McGill a un rôle très important et doit porter beaucoup d'intérêt et d'attention au phénomène québécois ainsi qu'à l'extérieur du Canada.

D. Quel rôle les francophones de McGill doivent jouer dans ce contexte?

D.J. Premièrement, assister les personnes qui ont beaucoup de tra-

Graduate studies library in trouble

Olivier Spécil
Patrick Bonduelle

In July 1988 Director of Libraries Eric Ormsby presented a plan to centralize the McGill library system. The Graduate Library of Information Studies stands to lose 66 percent of its reference materials.

Ormsby's plan, presented in July 1988, proposed that the graduate school of Library and Information Studies (LIS) library, formerly occupying the McLennan basement, cease to exist as a separate library. It appointed a part time librarian to merge the monographs and most of the periodicals with the McLennan Library collection.

The American Library Association, each seven years, gives official accreditation to McGill's graduate library studies program. According to Director Helen Howard, "the proposed downsizing of the LIS library will be detrimental to the LIS program and a threat to a re-accreditation."

Howard said, "It is difficult

to imagine a functioning library with such a diminished collection and a very great reduction in study space."

According to Prof. Rees-Potter, "It will be more difficult to teach, to do research and for students to work."

The new centralized library policy has meant a suppression of staff and services and closing of library branches. Already a Geosciences Library has been unified with Meteorology and oceanographies map-air photo library. The dentistry and medical libraries have been amalgamated. Last summer Redpath Undergraduate library was merged with Mc Lennan library. The changes are meant to create money for books and journals.

According to Rees-Potter, the problem is the library budget. She said library conditions will not look good in 1994 when resources are cut at the university.

"It hurts the all university

library collection, which is the core of university," she said.

"It is easy to cut on the library budget, because students and professors do not complain. McGill librarian and non-professionals are not unionized. Unlike unionized people they do not bargain with administration on salary or other matters," she said.

Rees-potter said that in other universities it is sometimes recommended that unions contribute to these decisions and have a voice in decision-making and planning within the library system.

"Books were not unionized and didn't talk back," mentioned Hans Moller in *McGill News* of Fall 1988.

According to Moller, McGill's library has slipped from second to fourth place in Canada.

The director of libraries said in the 1986-1987 annual report, "McGill's decentralized library system has certain

obvious advantages. A specialized library in close proximity to its users can offer fast, personalized service. But decentralization is also expensive. By consolidating and amalgamating collections and certain operations such as cataloguing and acquisitions, it may be possible to redirect resources into acquisitions, where there are desperately needed."

According to Ormsby, "Monies recovered from the more will help to maintain and build the collection in this field."

In an October 1988's newsletter sent to the students of the graduate school of Information Studies, Howard expressed her concerns about the Ormsby's decision. "Following that, she wrote, 'I urge you to make your views known by writing to Dr. Ormsby.'"

James Turner, Doctoral Candidate of the faculty of Library and Information Science

at the University of Toronto wrote in a letter that because of inadequate library resource available to library school student body, "Any hope of a Doctoral program in Library and information Studies at McGill will be dashed forever."

Molly Walsh President of the Québec Library Association "seriously questioned" how McGill graduate School of L.I.S. can, "maintain it's academic standing and continue to attract first rate students and Faculty if the Library facilities are reduced."

Brian McNally, class of 1984, wrote back, "I would not like to see the lustre of my degree tarnished by the fact that the school I graduated from has lost its standing in the library world... Sometimes other factors are more important than space and money."

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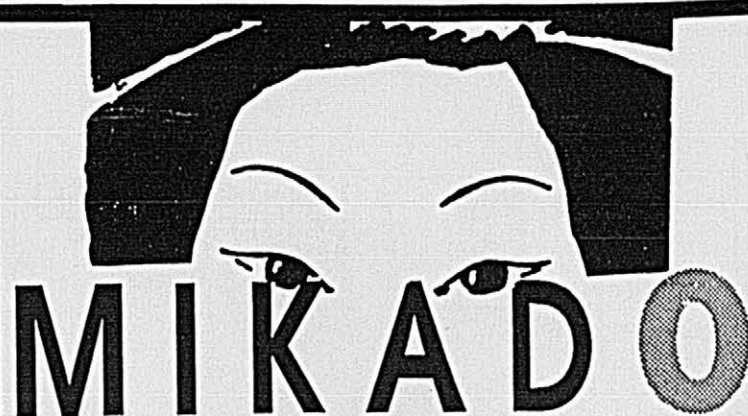
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Demo against Shell

by Salimah Valiani

A coalition of Montreal community and student organizations have organized a demonstration Friday to protest Shell Canada and QIT-Fer et Titane's support of the South African system of apartheid.

Rosemary Wallen of the Free South Africa Committee of Montréal, says the demonstration is "to bring pressure on Shell and QIT to sever links with apartheid, and also to make the Canadian public aware that these Canadian companies in their midst are

supporting apartheid."

According to Wallen, there has been an increase in trade between Canada and South Africa over the past year. "Politicians say they are opposed to apartheid, it's a camouflage we have to expose," she said.

Shell South Africa is wholly owned by two parent companies, Royal Dutch and Shell Transport and Trading Ltd. They also own 79 percent of Shell Canada.

"It is through this link that Shell Canada benefits from and contributes to the oppression and exploitation carried out by the apartheid regime," said demonstration organizer Lorraine Gibson. "We call on Shell Canada to urge its parent companies to withdraw their investments from South Africa, and end all economic and strategic ties."

QIT's interests in South Africa total over 100 million dollars, including its 43 percent ownership of Richards Bay Minerals (RBM), a beach sand mining and smelting operation at Richards Bay, Natal.

In accordance with migrant labour and segregation laws, RBM workers live 60 km away from the plant, "paying high rents for poor living conditions" says Peter

Mahlungu, Congress of South African Trade Unions representative to Canada, and former RBM employee.

"These 'homes' are only for RBM workers, which means that if a worker loses his job, he also loses his home," said Mahlangu.

Unskilled black RBM workers are paid 23 cents an hour, while skilled blacks are paid 78 cents an hour—the highest wage a black employed by RBM earns. In these ways, says Mahlangu, "RBM fully controls the workforce, both inside and outside the workplace."

Demonstration organizer Momin Khan pointed out that QIT has directly profited from such exploitation for over 10 years.

"It's time that Canadians become aware of this, and begin to put an end to Canadian complicity in apartheid."

"South Africans are very concerned with their international reputation, or at least their reputation in the Western world. Because of this, we must continue to protest against apartheid and continuing Canadian involvement in South Africa," said president of India Canada of McGill, Shailendra Mathur.

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Under South Africa's Internal Security Act, it is an act of treason to advocate "disinvestment" or any other action withdrawing economic support for apartheid. Despite this, South African leaders such as

Bishop Desmond Tutu have called on the international community to support disinvestment campaigns.

The demonstration begins Friday at 16h00 at Sherbrooke and McGill College avenues.

Le Conseil de la langue

Stores serve in French

by Anne-Marie Perrotta
and Nicolas Bertrand

A Conseil de la langue française (CLF) report shows in 90 percent of cases, the language of service in Montréal is French.

Mounting language tensions over the past two years led the Conseil to examine the use of French in small businesses. The analysis of commercial language and the language of signs was made public yesterday.

"Montréal is a bilingual area and it is satisfying to be served in French in almost 90 per cent of the cases," said Daniel Monnier of the Conseil.

Over five thousand businesses were surveilled in areas of high anglophone, high francophone, and mixed concentration.

In one third of businesses east of St-Laurent boulevard signs are not limited to French only. This area has a high francophone population.

"We were quite surprised (at the outcome)," said Conseil president Pierre Martel. To be served in French is a fundamental right, he added.

"This study was undertaken because certain indications lead us to believe that the place of the French language in small businesses was problematic," said Monnier.

French has become a more prominent language for business in the past 25 years.

They did not test the use of other languages in businesses because "our mandate is linked to Bill 101 and to the possibility of being served in French. It would have complicated things," said Martel.

Monnier concluded his report by stating, "The gradual installation of institutional bilingualism will only multiply the attraction of the English language and the francophone population will be compromised."

The report was undertaken by Monnier and SORECOM Inc. after the CLF received a string of complaints in 1987 from people not being served in French.

Anglophones heckle French

by Moira Knott

Over five hundred angry anglophones gathered at an Alliance Québec rally Sunday to discuss strategies to defeat the Québec government's language law, Bill 178.

Liberal MNA for Westmount Richard French's proposal that languages other than English be allowed with French on outdoor commercial signs met with hostility from the crowd.

He said his proposal would help increase immigration to the province by providing a more pluralistic environment. French called his gesture indicative of the English-speaking Québécois' "desire for dialogue and conciliation" with the French-speaking majority.

The former Québec cabinet minister was again heckled when he offered his support for the Canadian Constitution's notwithstanding clause, which allowed the Bourassa government to override the Supreme Court decision calling for bilingual signs.

Although French denounced Bill 178, he said it was passed democratically and that the notwithstanding clause should remain.

"I personally believe that politicians must make the final decisions. I agree with the notwithstanding clause for that reason. That is democracy, either you believe in it or you don't."

French was one of four Québec

Liberal ministers to resign from cabinet last December in protest of Bill 178.

French also delivered his party plug, saying that the Liberals were the only party which could defend

the rights of Québec anglophones. "The Liberal vision of democracy means that everyone gets a chance."

In contrast to the audiences' angry reception of French, Alliance Québec President Royal Orr was greeted with applause.

Orr also denounced Bill 178, calling it "unconstitutional and unacceptable" for its failure to "protect the fundamental rights of the English-speaking minority" in the province, and said the notwithstanding clause must be removed from the Canadian constitution in order to ensure protection of these rights.

"No simple piece of legislation is going to make your life okay in the province," Orr said, adding that dialogue and conciliation must begin between the English and French Québécois.

"We must redouble our efforts because we shall never feel secure until French-speaking Québécois understand our situation as a part of Québec. I say today to French-speaking Québécois, as I have said before, we will do our part."

Orr also called the Meech Lake Accord "a necessary first step" for bringing Québec into the constitution, though he noted that the failure to ensure minority rights in Canada would "doom" the accord.

Sunday's gathering at the Delta Hotel was one of several public strategy meetings planned by Alliance Québec to bring Québec anglophones into the fight against Bill 178.

